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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Dear Commissioner:

Applicants thank the Examiner for the Notice of Allowance mailed on March 1, 2010, and in reply present the following Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

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REMARKS

Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's statements of reasons for allowance of the above-referenced patent application and agrees that the claimed subject matter is patentably distinct over the references cited. However, Applicants take no position regarding the reasons for allowance presented by the Examiner other than the positions Applicants may have previously taken during prosecution. Therefore, the Examiner's reasons for allowance should not be attributed to Applicants as an indication of the basis for Applicants' belief that the claims are patentably distinct. Furthermore, it is respectfully asserted that there may also be additional reasons for patentability of the claimed subject matter not explicitly stated in this record and Applicants do not waive their rights to such arguments by not further addressing such reasons herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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